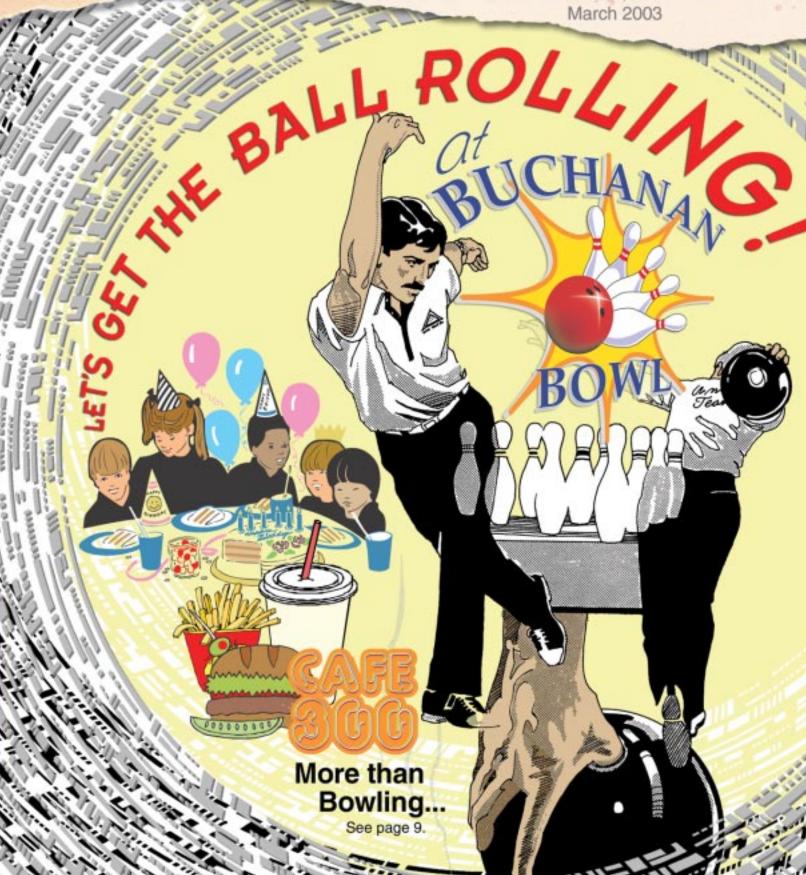


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Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico March 2003





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Employee of the Year 2002



Wilda Díaz from Fort Buchanan Army Community Service.





Employee of the Month January 2003



Alicia Ramos

Alicia Ramos from Fort Buchanan Child Development Center.

January's DCA Employee of the Month runner-up: Luis Pantojas from Fort Buchanan Child Development Center.



ACOE Customer Card Comment:

About Army Community Service:

"Excellent activities; courteous and friendly employees."

About The Automotive Skill Center:

"Excellent service, the entire staff went out of their way to be helpful."

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DCA Inightights of the month...

El Conquistador Latin Club

Mardi Gras Celebration 7 March • Live Music at 9 pm.

Sunday Brunch at the Community Club

• 16 March

11 - 2 pm Featuring live music. Fee: \$15.95 per person E-4 and below \$10.95 Children ages 0 - 5: Free Ages 6 - 11: \$7.95

International



Buffet

at the Community Club

• Thursday, 20 March

5 - 7 pm, at "El Dorado" Room



ARMY EMERGENCY RELIEF CAMPAIGN

3 MARCH - 30 APRIL

Your contributions help the Army take care of it's own. We encourage you to support the people that serve our nation with their dedication, skills and courage. To make your contribution contact 1LT Alexander Rivera at: riveraex@usarso.army.mil, or the project officer Mr. Octavio Fernández at 787-707-3310/3804.

DCA Events to watch in April:

CHILD & YOUTH SERVICES INVITES THE FORT BUCHANAN CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TO THE COSCOLO EGG HUNT MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR SATURDAY, 19TH APRIL PEE WEE FIELD AT 10 AM GAMES, SURPRISES & FUN! More information call 787-707-3569/3787

Month of The Military Child

activities for the family throughout the entire month!

- Proclamation Ceremony, Fri, 4 April, 9 am
- Easter Egg Hunt: Sat, 19 Apr
- CYS Family Day & Youth Volunteer Recognition: Sat, 26 Apr, 11 am at the WaterSpout

Library Week Bookmark Contest

13 - 19 April, at the Fort Buchanan Library

Teen Workforce Preparation Course

Mon, 14 - Thu 17, April.

Golf Club Championship

25 - 27 April at Fort Buchanan Golf Club.

Easter Egg Hunt Sponsors:















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ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE

Mr. Rafael Gilestra, ACS Acting Chief Tel. 787-707-3292 • 7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Exceptional Family Member Program

Special Needs Family Support Group

Monday, 10 March 2003, 1 - 3 pm at ACS Conference Room, Bldg. 1019, Buchanan Heights. For more information call ACS/EFMP, Fort Buchanan at 787-707-3295.

Family Advocacy Program Workshops:

Active Parenting Support Group

The objective of this support group is to help parents to acquire effective skills to discipline children of all ages. A certificate will be issued at the end of 6 sessions.

- Session V Thu, 6 March, 10 am 12 noon
- Session VI Thu, 13 March, 10 am 12 noon
- Session 1 Thu, 20 March, 10 am 12 noon
- Session 11 Thu, 27 March, 10 am 12 noon

Stress/Anger Management for Parents and/or Couples

Wednesday, 26 March, 3 - 4 pm at ACS Conference Room, Bldg. 1019, Buchanan Heights. Learn the causes of stress, how it affects your life as a parent in the military, and how to calm everyday pressures.

Family Advocacy Committee Meeting

Thursday, 13 March, 1:30-3:30 pm, CDR's Conference Room, Bldg. 399.

Annual Mandated Training (IAW AR 608-18)

Covers definition of domestic violence, reporting procedure, education and treatment resources for families and soldiers.

Every Unit/Dept.'s training Coordinator must **call in advance** to schedule their Unit/Dept.'s training.

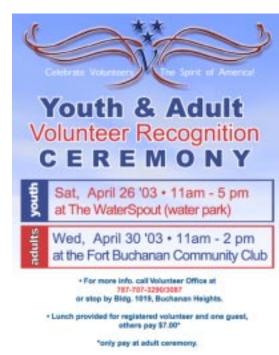
Call for the starting date of Common Sense Parenting six sessions training

(in English or Spanish) Classes offered at ACS, Bldg. 1019, Buchanan Heights. For information call

FAP, New Parent Support Program

Wilda Díaz at 787-707-3709.

Call 787-707-3381 for information and activity schedule.



Financial Readiness Program

Debt Liquidation

Debt payment planning and goal setting. Wed, 5 March, 10 - 11 am

Using Credit Wisely

The pitfalls of using credit; difference between credit cards and ATMS's. Credit laws that protect borrowers. Wed, 20 March, 10 - 11 am.

For information call 787-707-3310, or e mail: fernando@usarso.army.mil

Army Family Team Building

For information concerning the **AFTB Program,** please contact Mr. Ernesto Berríos 3290 or e-mail: berriose@usarso.army.mil.

Installation Volunteer and Employment Readiness

English and Spanish Classes

Designed to increase conversational skills in both languages. *Next class starts on 1 March*.

Community Mayoral Meeting

Friday, 7 March, 9 - 11 am at Commander's Conference Room, Bldg. 399.

Résumé Class

Wednesday, 19 March, 9 - 11 am at ACS Conference room, Bldg. 1019, Buchanan Heights.

For information or to register contact Ernesto Berríos at 787-707-3290 or e-mail: berriose@usarso.army.mil.

Relocation Readiness Program

"Native Puerto Rican Cooking Class"

for Volunteers and Community
Wednesday, 5 March, 10 am– 1 pm at ACS
Conference Room, Bldg. 1019-D, Buchanan
Heights. Tel. 707-3682. Relocation Readiness Program and Installation Volunteer Program.

Dress-up for Success

Friday, 14 March, 10 am – 12 noon at ACS Conference Room, Bldg. 1019-D, Buchanan Heights. Learn to dress with the right colors, style, and also a "make-up application" class for a job interview.

Farmers' Market Trip

Thursday, 13 March, 8:30 am – 12:30 pm via public transportation. Visit fresh produce, specialty, and bargain shops. Tour is free—cost of bus is 50 cents round trip. Meet at the golf course and walk to bus station outside Golf Gate.

Returning Stateside Move

Wednesday, 19 March, 3-4 pm at ACS, Bldg. 1019, Buchanan Heights. When you arrived in Puerto Rico, you may have experienced some "culture shock". Since then you have adjusted, but now you are returning to the States and you may again experience some cultural changes. This orientation will not only help you prepare for "REVERSE CULTURAL SHOCK", but it will provide you with detailed information for a smooth move.

Health/Local Info. Tour

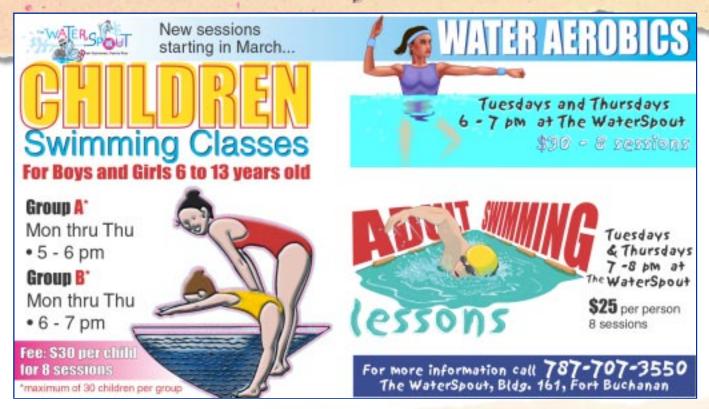
Friday, 21 March, 8:30 am -12:45 pm. leaving from ACS, Bldg. 1019, Buchanan Heights. This is a mandatory tour for all newly arrived soldiers and family members are highly encouraged to attend. A briefing from TRICARE and Health Clinic Staff from 8:30 – 9:00 am and a tour which will include a drive by local hospitals and Clínica Las Americas.

Newcomers' Information Fair and Tour

Thursday, 27 March. An introduction to the installations' activities will be from 7:30 - 8:30 am. Bus departs the Community Club at 8:40 am for a tour of El Morro and Old San Juan. Returns to the club at approximately 2 pm. Tour is free except for the cost of lunch. *Free childcare available on a space available basis.*

For info. call Ms. Lucca at 787-707-3682.

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- Brochures, fliers, and information on various points of interest
- Discount in Theater Tickets
- 3 (for patrons with valid ID card)

Ferry Rides to Relax in the White Sands of St. Thomas

Get there on a round trip ferry ride that leaves from Fajardo to St. Thomas at 8 am and returns from St. Thomas at 4:30 pm (2 hours each way). Music, food and beverages available on board.

Fees: Adults \$70/ Children ages 2 - 4: \$35/ ages 5 - 11: \$55/ One way \$50 (Birth certificate copy and photo ID required). A tour that includes "The Aquarium", a tour around the city, and "El Poblado" for shopping is available for an additional fee (Tour: \$28 adults/ \$19 children ages 5 - 11). Call ITR for details.

Information, Ticketing & Registration at AAFES Complex, Bldg. 689

Monday - Friday 9 am - 6 pm Saturdays, 9 am - 3 pm Holidays: Closed

Telephones: 787-707-7620,

787-707-7625 Fax: 787-707-7605

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MWR is for all of your life...





Walking

Walking has become one of the most popular forms of physical activity. It requires little equipment or training — all you need to get started is a good pair of shoes. Moreover, you can do it practically anywhere throughout the year. Walking is convenient and relatively risk-free.

Safety Tips

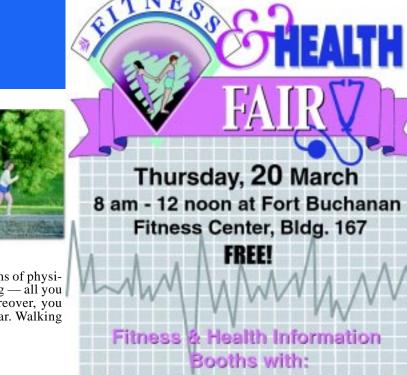
- When possible, use the sidewalk.
- Walk against traffic.
- Wear reflective clothing.
- Stretch before and after each walk.
- Vary the terrain (include both flat and hilly surfaces).
- · Don't wear headphones.
- Be aware of your surroundings (people, animals, automobiles, etc.)

Exerpts from InteliHealth.com

Walking Program:

Enjoy the benefits of group exercise outdoors. Mondays & Wednesdays, 5 - 6 pm. Call the Fitness Center at 787-707-3767 to join.





- · Orientations · Demonstrations
 - · Assessments, and more!

For more information call 787-707-3767



"The essence of the MWR mission is to foster and support improved productivity, mental and physical fitness, individual growth, positive values, and family well-being."

Sports Seminar at Fitness Center's Health Fair

A Sports Seminar on Health will be offered at the Fitness & Health Fair, 20 March, 9 am at the Fitness Center. The seminar will be offered by Dr. José Jiménez, an Army Retired Major, currently with practice at the Presbiterian Ashford Medical Center in the Condado Area. He specializes in Nuclear, Internal, and Sports Medicine. His last station in the military was in Fort Buchanan, at the Rodríguez Health Clinic.

The lecture is offered at no cost to attendees.



Just like a "Treasure Hunt..." find out what's there for you



8 am - 2 pm

To reserve a selling space or for more information visit ITR at the PX lobby, or call 787-707-7620/3301.

GOLDEN AGE PROGRAM

For authorized patrons 50 years of age or over. Tue & Thu, one hour daily (9 - 10 am). You will exercise and socialize with others. Activities include: assessments, group fitness classes, stretching, calisthenics, health clinics, aquaerobics, weight training. and more.

 Medical certificates are required. For registration call 787-707-3767.



child & youth services

Read Across America; Dr. Seus' Birthday

Monday, 3 March, 3 - 5 pm, SAS, Bldg. 148.A program of the National Education Association that motivates children to read.

SAS Extended Care; Bicycle Safety Day

Monday, 17 March, 9 - 11 am, SAS, Bldg. 148.

Parent Advisory Committee Meeting

Tuesday, 18 March, 6 pm at CDC, Bldg. 348. Child care available for participants.

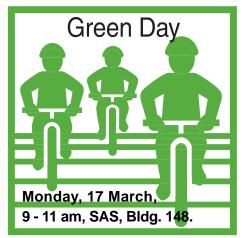
SAS Parent Orientation

Thursday, 27 March, 10 am, SAS Bldg. 148.



St. Patrick's

Bicycle Safety Rodeo



Middle School Dance

Friday, 14 March, 7 - 10 pm at Antilles Middle School Cafeteria. Admission: \$3 per teen. Refreshments will be sold at the food stand.

Summer Camp Registration Coming-up - 6 May. Watch for more details in the

Watch for more details in the next DCA Leisure Guide issue.

Modern Dance Classes

For youth from 6th to 12th grades.

Students will learn about modern dance and other types of dance including social and cultural dances. They will create their own choreographed dances as the group's final product, expanding their sense of creativity and self-discovery.

Classes on Tuesdays. From 4 - 5 pm for beginners, and 5 - 6 pm for intermediate and advanced students. Fees: \$30 per 4 classes monthly (one hour class per week). Call CYS at 787-707-3783, or visit Bldg. 1020 A/B, Buchanan Heights for more information.

Dramatic Arts Classes

For youth from 6th to 12th grades.

The essence of this program centers upon the concept of feeling part of a group. It also promotes students to interact positively with each other. Students are taught how to discover their abilities, improve communication skills, physical skills, and build self-confidence and self-awareness.

Classes on Thursdays. From 4 - 5 pm for beginners, and 5 - 6 pm for intermediate and advanced students. Fees: \$30 per 4 classes monthly (one hour class per week). Call CYS at 787-707-3783, or visit Bldg. 1020 A/B, Buchanan Heights for more information.

CYS Baseball Opening Ceremony

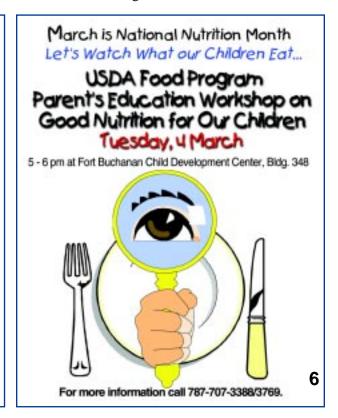
Saturday, 15 March, 8 am at McArthur Baseball Field.

USDA Program Orientation

For Parents

Tuesday, 4 March, 6 pm at the Child Development Center, Bldg. 348.







Fort Buchanan Fitness Center & Sports Program

Sports Director: Luis Robles, 787-707-3277 Fitness Center Manager: Roberto Fernández, 787-707-3767

Schedule:

Civilian Wellness Program:

DoD employees are authorized work time up to 3 days per week, 1 hour a day, for 6 consecutive months to participate (once during employee's career). Enrollment at the Fitness Center, with medical certificate signed by doctor, supervisor's authorization, and health risk questionaire. For information call 787-707-3767.

Walking **Program:**

Mondays & Wednesdays, 5 - 6 pm. Call the Fitness Center at **787-707-3767** to join.

Golden Age Program:

For patrons 50 years of age or older. Socialize and enjoy physical activities. Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 - 10 am. Medical certificate required. Signup at 787-707-3767.

Strength Training Class:

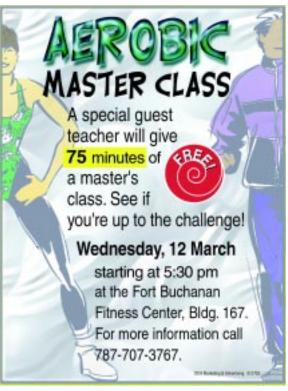
Fridays at 9 am

Aerobics:

Mon, Tue and Thu, 5:30 pm

Spinning Class:

Wednesdays, 6 pm Mon to Thu, 12 noon Mon to Thu, 4:30 pm Saturdays, 4 pm Must reserve the day before at 787-707-3767.



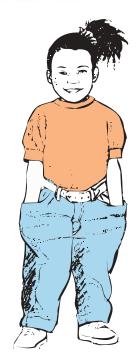
child & youth services

Our Mission is Caring...

- Dr. Irma Julia, CYS Chief Tel. 787-707-3399
- Ms. Carmen Dieppa, CDS Coordinator Tel. 787-707-3598
- Mr. David E. Parritt, YS Director, Tel. 787-707-3434
- Ms. Arlene Muñoz, Sports Specialist, Tel. 787-707-3466
- Ms. María Martínez, SAS Director, Tel. 787-707-3468
- Ms. Carmen Ortíz, MSP Director, Tel. 787-707-3783

707-KIDS

A hotline to express your concerns or alert the School Liaison Officer and the Command of issues related to our youth. A way for the community to support our youth.



Unauthorized Child Care

Unauthorized Child Care is defined as care provided to children in Government quarters exceeding 10 hours per week regardless of the amount of children served.

The following procedures will be followed when unauthorized child care is brought to the attention of the Child and Youth Services (CYS) Chief and/or the Family Child Care (FCC) director:

- FCC management personnel will visit the home within 3 working days, to verify whether or not an individual is operating and FCC home without valid certification.
- If it is determined that care in excess of 10 hours per week is being provided, the individual providing care will be informed in writing within two working days after the visit of the violation and given notice to cease care immediately.

- The parents of the children in care will be notified of the status of the individual providing care; and that the person is not certified.
- When an individual who has been notified in writing of violation of Army FCC requirements, has made no attempt to begin the certification process (within 10 days of receipt of notice of violation) and continues to provide care, CYS will again notify the Installation Commander and the Department of Public Works (DPW), Housing section in writing along with a recommendation as to further action.

For more information about unauthorized care, and/or if you have identified a person providing unauthorized care in any housing area in Fort Buchanan, please contact immediately Ms. Carmen M. Dieppa, CDC Coordinator at 787-707-3598, or Ms. Irma Julia, CYS Chief at 787-707-3399 for further action.



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John Tejera, Post Library Manager

- Telephone: 787-707-3280 Fax: 787-707-3480/3210
- E-mail: jtp@coqui.net Library Website: home.coqui.net/jtp

March's Story Hours at the Library

The Fort Buchanan Post Library offers a pre-school story hour along with a thematic craft the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

Wed, 12 March from 3 - 4 pm. *Theme:* Nutrition Month Wed, 26 March from 3 - 4 pm. *Theme:* Pig's Day The Post Library, Bldg. 518, next to the "Banco Popular."

Sign-up at the library or call 787-707-3208

Note: a parent or guardian must accompany children during the activity.

- Fort Buchanan Library has check-out movies in VHS or DVD's for authorized patrons at no cost. Take advantage of this convenience!
- Portable CD Players w/ headphones can be checked-out for use inside the Library. (For ID card holders)

Creative Cooking Workshop

Wednesday, March 19, 2 - 3 pm. Make a fast microwave dish in 30 minutes or less. Workshop will teach you how to save time in planning and preparing a

delicious dish. Sign-up begins Saturday, 1 March.

Computer Orientation: RESUMIX

Thursday, 20 March, 2-3 pm. Join us in a briefing on the use of RESUMIX. This is a Department of the Army referral system that has been used for filling vacancies under Merit Promotion Procedures, and many other Department of the Army Agencies.

Women's History Month

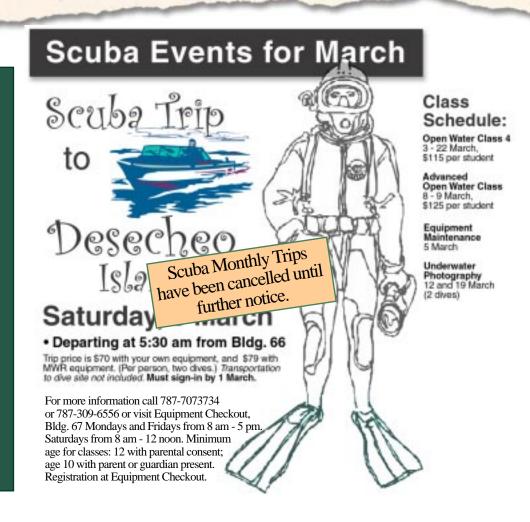
1 - 31 March. A Book and Portrait Display of notable women throughout history.

recreation delivery service

Equipment Check-out has rental items for your projects:

- TOOLS
- OUTDOOR RECREATION OR SPORTS EQUIPMENT
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Visit us at Bldg. 67 or call 787-707-3734 Mon & Fri, 8 am - 5 pm (until 4:30 pm to turn-in or pick-up equipment) Saturdays 8 am - 12 noon





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Ask for our combos.

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Bowl & more...

- Birthday Party Packages
- Snack Bar
- Sports Pub

Try our

"Comida Criolla" for lunch Rice & beans with local favorites, including "tostones." Mon thru Fri, starting at 11 am until the pot is empty!

Bowling Hours of Operation:

Hours are subject to change. Sat & Mon 11 am - 11 pm Tue, Wed, Thu 11 am - 10 pm Fridays 11 am - 12 pm Sundays 12 noon - 9 pm

Bowling Sports Pub:

Fridays 5 - 11 pm Mon, Tue, Wed & Thu 5 - 10 pm

golf club

GOLF CLUB

Jerome Hesby, Golf Club Manager Tel. 787-707-3980 Pro-shop 787-707-3852 Fax: 787-273-7233 E-mail: golfbuch@coqui.net

Learn some Golf!

Free Clinics Saturdays Kids every Saturday. *Ages 3 - 6 from 11:30 am - 12 noon;* ages 6 - 16 from 12 - 1 pm. Ladies 1st & 3rd Saturday; Men every 2nd and 4th Saturday Call 787-707-3852 to register. Clinics suspended on tournament days.

Month End Madness 2 Person Scramble

Friday, 28 March

Showtime 12 noon: Shotgun start 12:30 pm.

Fees: \$30 per Member/Active duty military; \$40 guests

A \$5 late registration fee applies after 27 March, 6 pm.

Includes: Carts, Boxed Lunch, Beverages on Course,

Hors d'oeuvres, and prizes.





Show: 12 noon/Shotgun start: 12:45 pm. Register at the Golf Club, Bldg. 171.

2 person team scramble- 50% low handicap (maximum 56 players)

Fee: \$50* per person (payable to the American Red Cross). A \$5 late registration fee applies after 12 March, 5 pm.

Includes: Green fees, Carts, Boxed Lunch, Beverages on Course. Hors d' oeuvres.

Mulligans \$5 each; maximum 3 persons.

* Tax deductible.







starting at 4:30 pm

Sunday Brunch

Featuring Live Music & a Lavish Buffet, 11 am - 2 pm \$15.95 adults \$10.95 E4 and below Children ages 0 - 5 free; 5 - 11 \$7.95



Bingo Nights

Jackpois: 2k, 3k & 4k
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5 pm
Cards sold at 5 pm
Early Bird Bonanza Bingo.

Each package: \$35 (21games)

Fort Buchanan Community Club

membership

Membership benefits for Active Duty Military, Retirees, Reservists, National Guard, DoD Civilians, Federal Employees and Friends of the Military. Call the Club for information.

Community Club, Bldg. 550, Fort Buchanan, Tel. 787-707-3535, Ext.-203 For Catering information call Ext. 205, or 787-528-5319.